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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D. C. 20231

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Dear Sir:

We are in agreement with the Examiner in that all claims are allowable because of the limitations outlined in the Examiner's comments. We do not, however, agree that all limitations the Examiner identifies are necessarily needed to make the claims allowable, that is to say the claims may be allowable without all limitations described in the Examiner's comments. Moreover, alternative or different limitations, discussed or not, may make additional independent claims allowable should a re-issue be sought.

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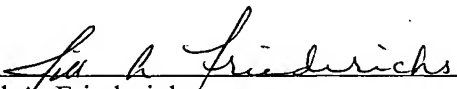
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